

Anno Octavo

Georgii Regis.

An Act for Preventing Delays in the Execution of the Trust reposed in the Governors of the Hospital of King James, Founded in Charter-House, at the Charges of Thomas Sutton Esq; for the Benefit of the said Hospital.



Whereas the Governors of the Hospital of King James, Founded in Charter-House within the County of Middlesex, at the humble Petition, and only Costs and Charges of Thomas Sutton Esq; are a Body Corporate and Politick, by the Name of the Governors of the Lands, Possessions, Revenues, and Goods of the Hospital of King James, Founded in Charter-House within the County of Middlesex, at the humble Petition, and only Costs and Charges of Thomas Sutton Esq; And whereas the Number of the said Governors is Sixteen, and consequently, whilst the said Number is full, by Law there must be Nine of the said Sixteen present to make any Corporate Assembly, or do any Corporate Act: And whereas by reason of the great Quality and Stations of several of the Governors, and the Distance of their respective Habitations and Places of Abode, it is by Experience found Difficult to get an Assembly of Nine so often as the Affairs of the said Corporation do require; and inasmuch as by Law the Consent of Five is sufficient to do a Corporate Act, supposing Nine be present; May it therefore

therefore please Your Majesty, That it may be Enacted, and be it Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if any Number of the said Governors under Nine, and not less than five, shall meet and assemble together at the Charter-House for the Affairs of the said Corporation, Notice of four Days at least of the Time and Place of such Meeting having been first given or left at the usual Places of Abode of the Governors within the City of London, or Bills of Mortality, and five of the said Governors so met, shall, by their Joint Consent, act or do any Matters or Things relating to the said Corporation, such Acts or Deeds shall, to all Intents and Purposes, be, and be deemed and taken to be the Acts and Deeds of the said Corporation, and shall be of the same Force, Validity, and Effect, as if done at a Corporate Meeting by all the Governors; Any Law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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